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SUBJECT: EC-9 MIDEAST OIL SUPPLIES

1. ON PRIME TIME NOV 22 GERMAN TV NEWS, FONMIN SCHEEL
TOLD INTERVIEWER IN LONDON FOLLOWING MEETING
WITH PRIME MINISTER HEATH, THAT NOV 20 EC-9 QUARTERLY
MINISTERIAL "HAD DEVELOPED A COMMON LINE" ON EUROPEAN
OIL SUPPLY BUT THAT THIS POLICY COULD NOT BE DISCUSSED
IN PUBLIC. SCHEEL ADDED THE COMMENT THAT THE RECENT MID-
EAST CRISIS HAD PROVED THE NEED TO ACCELERATE THE TIME-
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TABLE FOR EUROPEAN UNION. LIKE CHANCELLOR BRANDT'S NOV

13 STRASBOURG SPEECH, SCHEEL DEFINED "EUROPEAN UNION" BY SAYING IT MEANT THE DEVELOPMENT OF "EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT."

2. ON SAME TV NEWS PROGRAM, DEVELOPMENT MINISTER EPPLER SAID HE HAD PLAYED ROLE OF NEITHER DEMANDEUR NOR PREACHER DURING HIS JUST COMPLETED VISIT IN CAIRO. EPPLER, WHO MET WITH SADAT AND DELIVERED LETTER TO EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT FROM BRANDT, ADDED HIS IMPRESSION AT AIRPORT INTERVIEW THAT THE EGYPTIANS "ARE CONSIDERING VERY THOROUGHLY THE LIMITS OF THE CURRENT ARAB OIL-TAP POLICY." THIS LATTER REMARK BY EPPLER FOLLOWS RECENT COMMENTS OF CHANCELLOR BRANDT BEFORE THE BUNDESTAG, BUNDESRAT AND EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT CAUTIONING THE ARABS AGAINST "THREATS AND BLACKMAIL."
HILLENBRAND

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED USINT CAIRO.

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